Cooch Behar Palace, and others have been kept safely preserved in the local office.

(d) No, Sir, as the objectives set for the excavation had been realised.

Irrigation potential of Harihar Jor Irrigation Project in Orissa

3376.SHRI SURENDRA LATH : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) the irrigation potential of the Harihar Jor Irrigation Project in Orissa,

(b) whether the project has been completed; and

(c) if so, the details of additional irrigation facilities added to the State after the execution of that irrigation project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY) (a) to (c) The Harihar Jor Irrigation Project in Orissa envisages creation of ultimate irrigation potential of 13.70 thousand hectare on completion, out of which 9.95 thousand hectare has been created up to the end of 2000-2001. It is an ongoing project in the Tenth Five Year Plan.

Clearance to flood control in Ganga Basin

3377. SHRI LALU PRASAD : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of Bihar has submitted a scheme of flood control in Ganga basin at an estimated cost of Rs. 500.00 crore to Ganga Flood Control Commission;

(b) whether Government propose to sanction this scheme; and

(c) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY) (a) Yes, Sir. The Government of Bihar has submitted a list of 19 schemes comprising 5 schemes of anti erosion works and 14 schemes for raising & strengthening/ construction of embankments to Ganga Flood Control Commission at a total estimated cost of about Rs. 542 crores.

(b) and (c) Flood management being a State subject, the responsiblity